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Examiner: Unknown

Group Art Unit: 3735

Applicant:

Michael S.H. Chu et a 1

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

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]	Amendment

[] No additional fee required

[] The fee has been calculated as shown:

CLAIMS AS AMENDED								
	(3)	(4)	(5)	SMALL ENTITY		OTHER		
	REMAINING CLAIMS	HIGHEST PAID	EXTRA	RATE	ADD'L FEE	RATE	ADD'L FEE	
TOTAL CLAIMS	-	=		X9=	\$	X18=	\$	
INDEPEN- DENT CLAIMS	-	=		X40=	\$	X80=	\$	
() FIRST MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM				+135=	\$	+270=	\$	
TOTAL				\$		\$		

[]	A check in the amount of \$ is enclosed.
[]	Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by verified statement previously submitted.
[XX]	Other: <u>SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT</u> , <u>FORM PTO-1449</u> , <u>AND CITED REFERENCES</u> .
[XXXX]	Please charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment in the enclosed fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0413. By:

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Dear Sir:

Pursuant to the obligations of candor and good faith imposed by 37 C.F.R 1.56, the documents listed on the attached PTO-1449 are hereby disclosed.

No representation is intended to be made hereby that any of the cited references establishes, by itself or in combination with other information, a prima facie case of unpatentability of any claim of the present case.

Respectfully submitted,

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By their attorney,

Dated: $\frac{2}{2}$

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